

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 21 August 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-12, 14-17, and 19-32.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 2,13, and 18 have been cancelled.
2. Claims 1,3,4-12,14-7, and 19-32 have been amended.
3. Claims 1,3-12,14-17, and 19-32 are pending.

Response to Arguments

4. Applicant's arguments filed 21 August 2006 have been fully considered and they are persuasive.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims **1,3-12,14-17, and 19-32** are allowed.
6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The present invention is directed toward a method and apparatus for personalizing content on a mobile phone, device, or terminal using a voucher-driven on-device content personalization module for personalizing the content based on information contained in a rights expression voucher that accompanies the content. Each independent claim identifies the uniquely distinct features **"a mobile device receiving content having a rights expression voucher attached thereto and personalizing the content based on information contained in the rights expression voucher that accompanies the content"**. The closest prior art, Kontio et al. (Pub No. 2005/0004875) discloses a method, system, and computer program product for enabling a wireless device in a mobile communication environment to obtain rights to protected content of a digital asset. The digital asset is downloaded to the wireless device from any one of a plurality of content servers or other wireless devices. The digital asset comprising a content ID,

content encrypted with a content key, and information on obtaining rights to the content being expressed in a voucher generated by a voucher server in the network. The user receives the content from the content server and later receives the content encryption key from the voucher server. The terminal does not receive the content having the content encryption key and the voucher attached thereto. However, either singularly or in combination, Kontio et al. fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation a mobile device receiving content having a rights expression voucher attached thereto and personalizing the content based on information contained in the rights expression voucher that accompanies the content. The closest prior art, Wang (US Patent No. 6,885,748) discloses a method of protecting a digital work uses a format preserving encryption scheme to encrypt the digital work. This enables any native replay application or rendering application to transform an encrypted digital work into encrypted presentation data. The originator's digital content is protected in its original form by not being decrypted. However, either singularly or in combination, Wang fail to anticipate or render the claimed limitation a mobile device receiving content having a rights expression voucher attached thereto and personalizing the content based on information contained in the rights expression voucher that accompanies the content.

7. Therefore, **claims 1,8,12, and 17**, and the respective **dependent claims 3-7,9-12,14-16, and 19-32** are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Courtney D. Fields whose telephone number is 571-272-3871. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Thurs. 6:00 - 4:00 pm; off every Friday.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Emmanuel Moise can be reached on 571-272-3865. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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